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Decoding free of charge? Yes please!

You or your company have fallen victim to a ransomware attack, and the criminals involved offer to decode your data at a "fair price"? Often you can do so free of charge.

The Nomoreransom (https://www.nomoreransom.org/de/index.html) website offers a helping hand to ransomware victims. They do so by providing them with ransomware decoding tools for a variety of variants free of charge.

If there is no decoding program available for a victim yet, it often helps to just wait, and in particular to file criminal charges (https://www.ebas.ch/en/2022/08/fallen-victim-to-a-fraud-report-and-file-charges/) . Security companies and authorities are actually continuously working to expand the Nomoreransom repertoire.

This is demonstrated by the successful investigations against the group behind the "LockerGoga" ransomware (https://www.zh.ch/de/news-uebersicht/medienmitteilungen/2022/09/220916_ransomware.html) . As a result of a house search in Switzerland, they were actually able to secure data enabling them to create the "LockerGoga" ransomware decoding software. This is now also available on Nomoreransom (https://www.nomoreransom.org/de/index.html) .

Further information on ransomware and in particular also on how you can protect yourself can be found here (https://www.ebas.ch/en/ransomware-encryption-trojans/) .